

ANNO PRIMO & SECUNDO

GEORGII IV. REGIS.

CAP. LXII.

An Act to regulate the Times for holding the General Sessions of the Peace, in the several Counties in *Ireland*. [23d *June* 1821.]

WHEREAS the Recovery of Small Debts by Civil Bill, under and by virtue of an Act passed in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Thirty-sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, for the better and more convenient Administration of Justice, and for the Recovery of Small Debts in a summary Way, at the Sessions of the Peace of the several Counties at large within *Ireland*, except the County of *Dublin*; and also under Two Acts, passed in the Parliament of *Ireland*, in the Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth Years of the Reign of His said late Majesty, to amend the said recited Act of the Thirty-sixth Year aforesaid, has been found very beneficial to the King's Subjects in *Ireland*: And whereas the ordinary Business of the Sessions of the Peace, and of the Assistant Barristers, has, from various Causes, considerably increased, and by reason thereof it is found inconvenient to the Public, and to the Practitioners attending Courts of Quarter Sessions, that the Quarter Sessions of the Peace should be holden at the Periods now required by Law; for Remedy whereof, be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual

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General Sessions shall be held in Two Divisions of each County, Four Times in the Year, at the Periods herein mentioned.

Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the First Day of *August* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, the General Sessions of the Peace shall be holden in every County at large in *Ireland*, (except the County of *Dublin*) Four Times in the Year, in each of the Two Divisions of every such County, at the Times following, that is to say, One General Session of the Peace, in some one Division of every such County, shall commence on some Day between the Fifth and the Twelfth Day of *January* in each Year, and One other of such Sessions, in the other Division of every such County, shall commence on some Day within Fourteen Days from the First Day of such former Session; One other of such General Sessions of the Peace, in some one Division of every such County, shall commence on some Day in *Easter* Week, and One other of such Sessions, in the other Division of every such County, shall commence within Fourteen Days from the First Day of such Session last-mentioned; One other of such General Sessions of the Peace, in some one Division of every such County, shall commence on some Day after the Fifth Day next ensuing the last Day of *Trinity* Term, and before the Twelfth Day from the said last Day of the said Term, and One other of such Sessions, in the other Division of every such County, shall commence within Fourteen Days from the First Day of such Sessions last-mentioned; and One other of such General Sessions of the Peace, in some one Division of every such County, shall commence on some Day in the Month of *October*, between the Tenth and Eighteenth Days of the said Month, and One other of such Sessions, in the other Division of every such County, shall commence on some Day within Fourteen Days from the First Day of such Session last-mentioned.

Time of holding such Sessions shall be made known, as at present.

II. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall be taken to alter or affect the Manner or the Time, as now by Law provided, of determining and making known the Periods at which the several Sessions shall be held.

Sessions shall be continued from Day to Day.

III. And be it further enacted, That all and every the several Sessions which shall be held as aforesaid, shall be continued from Day to Day (*Sundays* excepted) until they shall be finished respectively.

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